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1. USNATO CIRCULATED SUBJECT PAPER WITH CORRECTION IN STATE 080541 NOTAL TO SYG, PERMREPS, MILREPS, AND RESTRICTED NUMBER OF I. S. AND I. M. S. OFFICIALS ON APRIL 30, UNDER COVER OF LETTER FROM RUMSFELD. TEXT OF AMBASSADOR'S COVER LETTER FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT: " I AM FORWARDING TO YOU AND OUR COLLEAGUES ON THE COUNCIL COPIES OF "THE UNITED STATES APPROACH TO MBFR". THIS BASIC PAPER AND ITS ANNEXES ARE INTENDED BY MY AUTHORITIES TO CONTRIBUTE TO OUR FORTHCOMING WORK IN PREPARING FOR MBFR NEGOTIATIONS. I WILL GIVE AN INITIAL PRESENTATION AVOUT THE PAPER IN THE COUNCIL ON MAY 2. I WOULD LIKE TO STRESS FROM THE OUTSET THAT THE U.S. PAPER DEALS PRIMARILY WITH POSSIBLE OUTCOMES OF MBFR NEGOTIATIONS, NOT WITH INITIAL NEGOTIATING POSITIONS OR TACTICS. AS A CONSEQUENCE, I CANNOT OVEREMPHASIZE THE CONFID-ENTIALITY WE ATTACH TO IT. I AM FORWARDING A LIMITED NUMBER OF COPIES TO EACH DELEGATION AND MILITARY REPRESENTATIVE, AND TO MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL MILITARY AND INTERNATIONAL STAFFS. I WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST THAT EVERY ATTEMPT BE MADE TO AVOID FURTHER REPRODUCTION OF THE DOCUMENT OR PARTS OF IT. SECRET

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2. USNATO IS FORWARDING BY POUCH COPIES OF PAPER AS CIRCULATED TO ADDRESSEE POSTS, AND IN ADDITION TO MAJOR COMMANDS (SACEUR,

3. AMBASSADOR PLANS TO MAKE INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT DRAWING ON REFTEL IN MAY 2 NAC. WE WILL FORWARD TEXT AS DELIVERED. RUMSFELD

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